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positioned on said mechanism for servicing said printhead.

45. (New, Amended) An inkjet printing mechanism having a moveable inkjet printhead in combination with the wet wiping system of claim 26, said wet wiping system being positioned on said mechanism for servicing said printhead.

Claims 46 - 50 have been withdrawn from consideration.

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51. (New, Amended) The system of claim [4] 7, wherein said biasing member is a coil spring.

#### IN THE DRAWINGS:

Attached is a print of the new Fig. 7B, labeled in red as "New", to be added to the application. Also attached is a print of Fig. 14, labeled as "Amended", adding a leader line to reference numeral 142. Figure 7 has now also been labeled "Amended. Formal drawings incorporating these changes will be submitted upon receipt of a Notice of Allowability.

#### REMARKS

##### **Preliminary Amendment**

All remaining claims of new claims 27 - 51, although identified as "New" in the preliminary amendment, have now all been fully underlined in this paper as required.

##### **Election/Restrictions**

New claims 32 - 38 and 46 - 50 have been withdrawn from consideration and will form the subject matter of a divisional application(s) presently under consideration.

##### **Declaration**

A new re-issue Declaration will be submitted after execution by all inventors. An unsigned copy of the Declaration is attached for reference.

### **Drawings**

The enclosed sheets of drawings have now been labeled to identify Fig. 7B as "New" and Fig. 14 as "Amended" as required.

### **Claim Rejections - Sec. 112**

The rejection of claim 24 under Sec. 112 has been attended to by amendment of the claim to refer, in line 2, to a moveable container to provide the necessary antecedent.

The rejection of claims 39-45 for failure to define the structural relationship between the printing mechanism and the servicing system has been attended to by amendment of each claim to require the printing mechanism to have a moveable inkjet printhead and to require the servicing system to be positioned on the printing mechanism for servicing the printhead.

Claim 51 has been amended to depend from claim 7 to provide the proper antecedent for "said biasing spring".

### **Claim Rejections - Sec. 251**

Independent claims 1 and 24 have each been amended to require the servicing station to be moveable to obviate the Sec. 251 rejection of claims 1-5, 7-15, 24, 39, 43 and 51.

Claim 27 is a new claim not appearing in the patent which has now been amended to indicate that the outlet of the applicator pump applies a predetermined quantity of fluid to the printhead, thus the outlet functions as an applicator. Claim 27 requires the service station to

include a wiper but does not require the wiper nor the applicator to take any specific form. The claim reads onto arrangements such as are shown in Fig. 14 and it is clear that other applicators can be used in the cap such as the types shown in Figs. 12 and 13. Thus, the Examiner's requirement for the wiper to take a specific form in this new claim is not something that has been surrendered during prosecution of original claim 14.

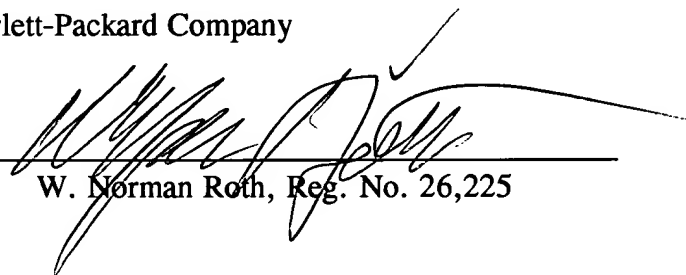
Claim 12 has been further amended to avoid limitation to a "small" vent "hole".

Favorable reconsideration of the claims, as amended, and early allowance of the application, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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FIG. 7

(Amended)

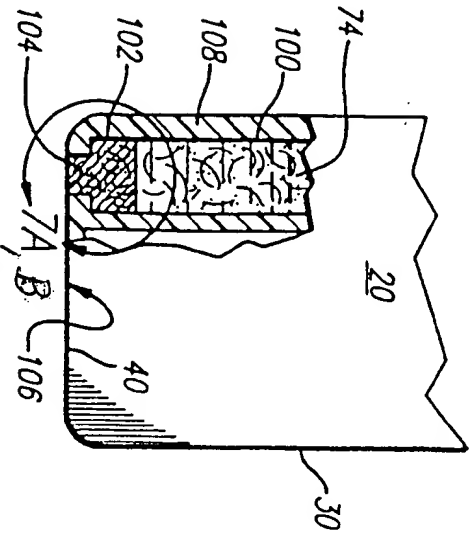


FIG. 7A

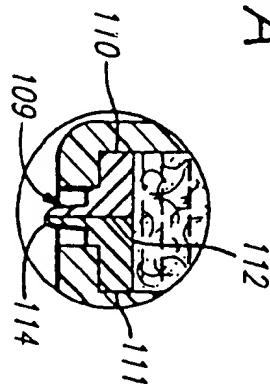
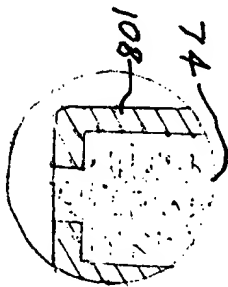


FIG. 8

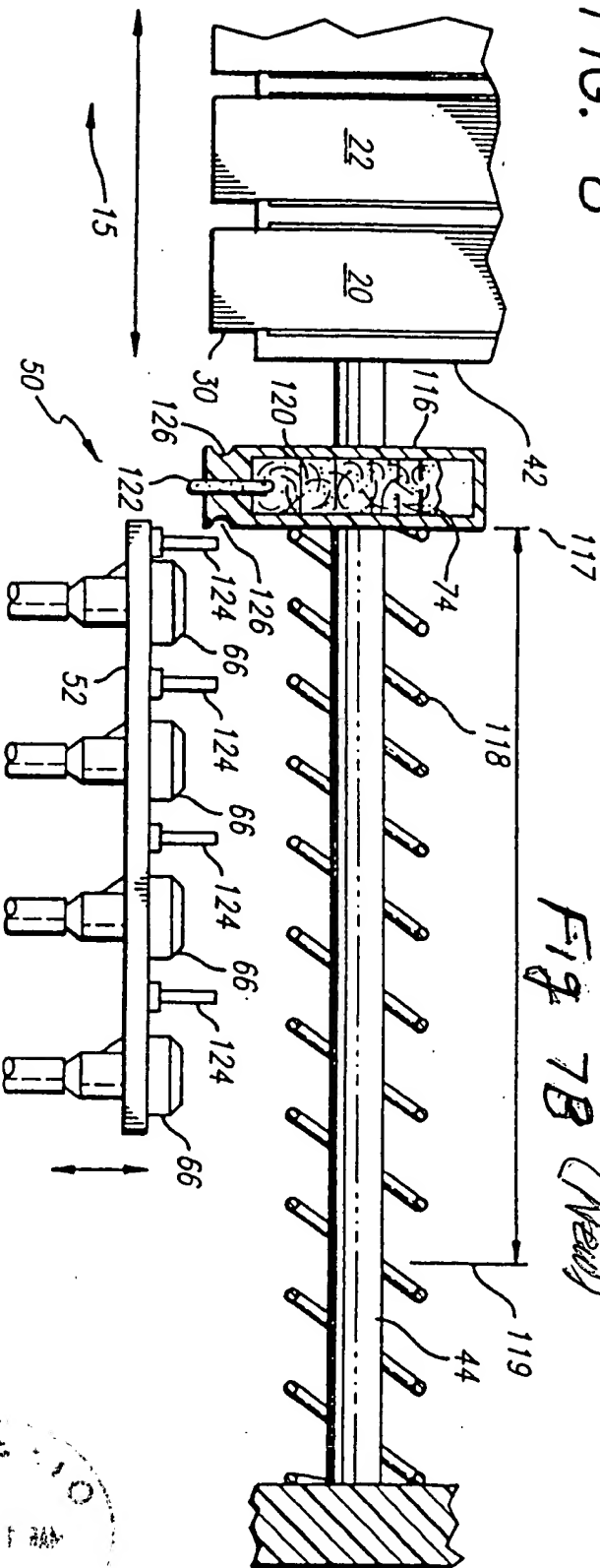


Fig 7B (New)

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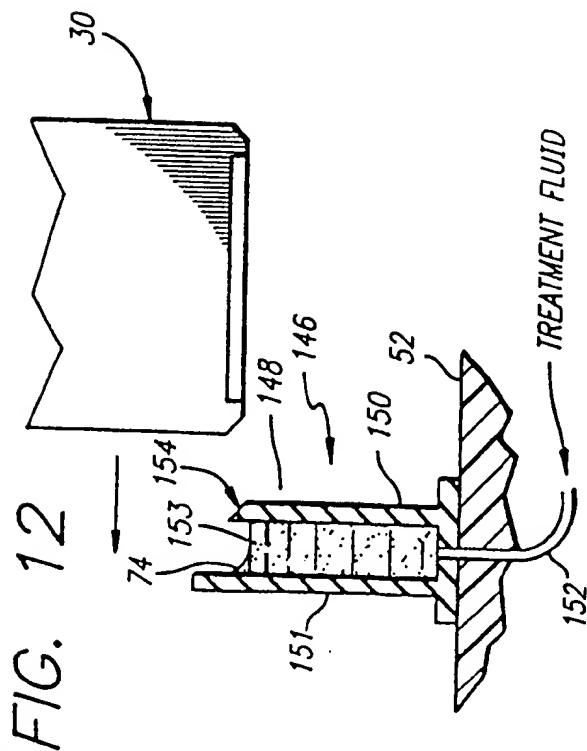


FIG. 12

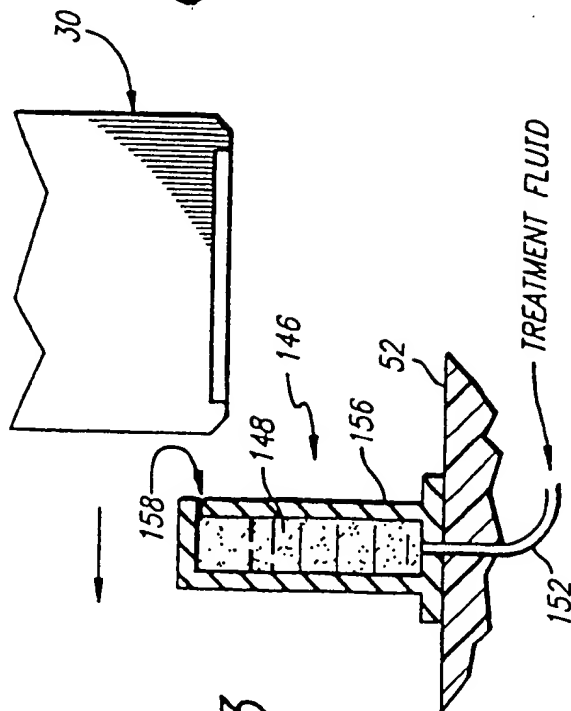


FIG. 13

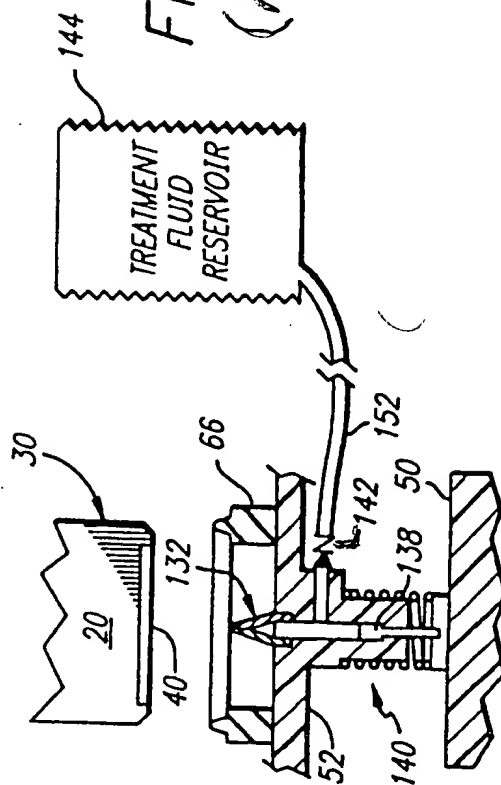


FIG. 14  
(Amended)

